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Applicants: S.C. Cottrille et al. Attorney Docket No.: MSFT117229
Application No.: 09/339,733 Group Art Unit: 2176
Filed: June 24, 1999 Examiner: A. Romero
Title: SCALABLE COMPUTING SYSTEM FOR MANAGING ANNOTATIONS

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A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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Total Claims	28	-	28	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	6	-	6	=	0	x	84	=	0
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B. Fees Enclosed

No fee is due or enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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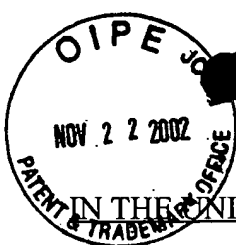
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

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In the Specification:

Please amend the Cross-Reference section beginning on page 1, line 19, to read as follows:

CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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This application is related to co-filed and co-assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 09/339,635, filed on June 24, 1999, entitled "Scalable Computing System for Managing Dynamic Communities." This application is also related to co-filed and co-assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 09/339,634, filed on June 24, 1999, entitled "Associating Annotations with a Content Source."

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 29, line 7, to read as follows:

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